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HB 5079 AN ACT CONCERNING PREVAILING WAGE THRESHOLDS

As elected officials, Board of Education members have a fiduciary duty to their constituents to get the most value as possible from each capital and operating tax dollar entrusted to them. The school students, staff and taxpayers expect the very best in capital projects with the dollars made available from a strained local property tax.

Current market conditions which are used in determining wage scales are not adequately taken into account in current prevailing wage settlements. The Connecticut Association of Boards of Education strongly urges the legislature to raise the dollar threshold for projects subject to the prevailing wage mandate.

Thank you for your attention to this issue.